

REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the nonfinal Office Action of April 23, 2002.

Reconsideration and allowance of the application and all presently pending claims are respectfully requested.

Upon entry of this Response, claims 46-48 are pending in the present application. Claim 47 has been directly amended herein to comply with an earlier election of species. Claims 59-62 have been canceled without waiver, disclaimer, or prejudice, to expedite examination and allowance of the present application. It is believed that the amendments add no new matter to the present application.

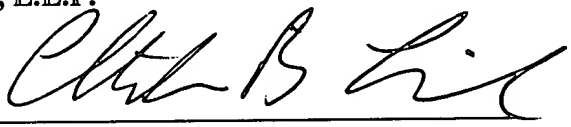
CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing amendments, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 46-48 are in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and allowance of the present application and all pending claims are hereby courteously requested. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (770) 933-9500.

Respectfully submitted ,

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ANNOTATED VERSION OF MODIFIED CLAIMS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

The following is a marked up version of the amended claims. Amend the following claims by adding the language that is underlined (“ ”) and by deleting the language that is enclosed within brackets (“[]”):

47. (Once amended) The process for the preparation of urethane resins according to claim 46, wherein said compound(a) is a compound(a-[1]2) having one primary amino group as said organic group(I), and wherein said compound(b) is a compound(i) selected from the group consisting of an α , β -unsaturated carbonyl compound and α , β -unsaturated nitrile compound.